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CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL

This is a request for filing a _X_ CONTINUATION ___ DIVISIONAL application under 37 CFR 1.53(d) continued prosecution application (CPA) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/406,570, filed on September 24, 1999 entitled OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM WITH A PARTITION WALL BETWEEN AN INFORMATION TRACKS GROOVE AND A PREFORMAT PIT ENCODING INFORMATION THEREFOR

1. _X_ Applicants presently intend to file additional papers in this application. If the patent examiner picks up this case for examination prior to receiving such papers, the examiner is respectfully requested to contact the applicants undersigned attorney.

2. ___ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

3. ___ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53 (d)(4).

 a. ___ DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:

 b. ___ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.

4. ___ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.

5. ___ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:

 a. ___ PTO-1449

 b. ___ Copies of IDS Citations

6. ___ Small entity status:

 a. ____ A small entity statement is enclosed.

 b. ___ A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.

 c. ____ Is no longer claimed.

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Multiple Dependent Claims Presented: Yes___ No___					$140	$280	=	$	$ 0
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					Total Fee			$ 370	$ 824

7. X A check in the amount of $ 824.00 to cover the filing fee.

8. X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with the following or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-3125 .

X Filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16.

X Patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17.

___ The issue fee set in 37 C.F.R. §1.18 at or before mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.311(b).

9. X Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

10. X Other (identify) Petition For Extension of Time (5-months) and a check for the $1,960 extension fee

February 22, 2002
Date

Respectfully submitted,

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